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Thanks, Jim. The Greka commercials are running non-stop on local programming. It was interesting to hear their side of the story - a bit of a stretch if you ask me.

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Let me check but I'm not aware of any calls that we have received; I'll keep you posted, Jim

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Greka

Subject

Jim,

I'm spending a few days on Vandenberg Air Force Base this week and have seen, on several occasions, what appears to be a pro-Greka Energy commercial on Santa Barbara County's local TV channels. The commercial claims that Greka is an asset to the region and is compliant with all environmental regulations. Andrew De Vegvar, Greka's CEO, asks residents to call their local elected officials to express their support for Greka and its employees.

Would you know if EPA has received any calls or pressure from Santa Barbara residents regarding Greka?

Thanks for any info you can provide, Jim.

Best,

Adolfo